

An ACT to enable the corporation of the city of Annapolis to sell certain lands, to lay a further tax on property within the said city and its precincts, to regulate and license ordinaries and retailers of spirituous liquors within the said city and the precincts thereof.

W H E R E A S it is represented to this general assembly, by ^{Preamble.} the memorial of the corporation of the said city of Annapolis, that Temple and Dean streets in the said city are unnecessary and useless, wherefore they pray that the corporation of the said city and their successors may be enabled to sell the same: that the power given by act of assembly to lay a tax, not exceeding six-pence in any one year for every hundred pounds of property within the said city, to defray the expences of the city and the repairs of the streets and dock, is inadequate for the purpose, wherefore they pray that the said corporation and their successors may be enabled to lay such further tax, not exceeding five shillings in any one year for every hundred pounds of property within the said city or the precincts thereof: that many of the apprentices, servants, and slaves, in the said city, are corrupted, and their masters deprived of their labour, and injured in their property, by the selling of rum and other spirits to them by the ordinary keepers and the great number of other retailers of spirituous liquors within the city, wherefore they pray that the power of regulating ordinaries and retailers of spirituous liquors within the city and the precincts thereof may be hereafter vested in the said corporation, and that the mayor's court of the said city only may hereafter grant licences to ordinary keepers and retailers of spirituous liquors within the said city and its precincts, under such regulations and rules as the said corporation may make, and that the said corporation may reserve and lay fine on every such licence. And, whereas this general assembly have thought proper to grant the several requests in the said memorial:

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the corporation of the said city of Annapolis and their successors shall be, and they are hereby enabled to dispose of, sell, and convey, to the purchaser, the two streets in the said city called and known by the name of Temple and Dean streets. Corporation to sell Temple and Dean streets.

III. And be it enacted, That the said corporation and their successors shall be, and they are hereby enabled to lay such further tax, not exceeding five shillings in any one year for every hundred pounds of property within the said city or the precincts thereof, as the said corporation may think proper. To lay a further tax on property, &c.

IV And be it enacted, That the power of regulating ordinaries and retailers of spirituous liquors within the said city and the precincts thereof shall be hereafter vested in the said corporation and their successors, and that the mayor's court of the said city only shall hereafter grant licences to ordinary keepers and retailers of spirituous liquors within the said city and its precincts, under such regulations and rules as the said corporation and their successors may make, and that the said corporation And regulate ordinaries, &c.